



TOWN OF WEARE
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**PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES
MARCH 12, 2009
(Approved 4/9/09 as written)**

PRESENT: Chairman, Paul Morin; Craig Francisco, Vice Chairman; George Malette, Secretary; Tom Clow, Exofficio; Neal Kurk, Alternate; Dani-Jean Stuart, Alternate; Naomi L. Bolton, Land Use Coordinator

GUESTS: NONE

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Paul Morin called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM at the Weare Town Office Building. Chairman Morin stated that he will be stepping down from all the proceedings this evening as his term has expired and he has decided not to return to the board.

II. WORK SESSION:

ELECT BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2009: Tom Clow nominated Craig Francisco for Chairman; George Malette seconded the motion. Discussion: Paul Morin stated that in the position of chair you have to be a student of land use law. You will be in a position many times to make a judgment call. You need to be able to stay abreast of things. Vote: unanimous in favor.

Craig Francisco nominated George Malette for Secretary; Tom Clow seconded the motion. Vote: unanimous in favor.

Vice Chairman: This position could be voted on at the next meeting.

Chairman Francisco took over the meeting.

DISCUSS THE CALENDAR FOR 2009: The board went over some of the items they like to see worked on in 2009. The following items were listed:

- redistricting of the zoning map should be looked at
- 1 meeting dedicated to how we can coordinate with the Economic Development Committee to work together
- 1 meeting in the fall after the LGC law lectures to review what was discussed because usually ½ or 1 of the law lectures is typically devoted to any changes of the law
- Subdivision Checklist and By-laws need to be looked at

Dani-Jean Stuart stated that she is concerned about preserving the rural zones along Route 114 which are now commercial. She would like to see the board devote some time to decide what we want it to look like and how we can shape it.

George Malette stated that after the NRI inventory is done the Conservation Commission is looking to update the Open Space Plan. As a result the NRI will be looking at possibly changing the zoning to protect valuable resources.

Inter-Board Communication is something that really needs to be done and although it can be frustrating at time this board needs to work with the Conservation Commission and the Board of Firewards and other boards, commissions or committees as we are all in the same boat and some of the issues can be overcome. Good communication and cooperation is free but it has to happen.

George Malette asked Naomi if she could add these two commissions to the list of other boards that get plans on a regular basis:

Heritage Commission: needs plan if anything historical

Agricultural Commission: needs plan if the land is agriculturally zoned

REGULATIONS: Naomi is working on the newly revised Zoning Ordinance as a result of Town meeting and she stated that once they are done she will put all three (3) regulations into one three ring binder for each member.

ANNUAL OEP MEETING: George Malette wanted to remind everyone that Saturday, May 2, 2009 is the Annual Planning and Zoning Conference hosted by the Office of Energy and Planning if anyone is interested in attending.

OTHER CONSERVATION EASEMENT CONFERENCES: George Malette also informed the board that the Society for the Protection of NH Forests (SPNHF) is hosting various conservation easement seminars if any of the board members are interested in attending.

III. OTHER BUSINESS:

FEBRUARY 12, 2009 MINUTES: George Malette moved to approve the February 12, 2009 minutes as written; Tom Clow seconded the motion. Vote: unanimous in favor.

FEBRUARY 26, 2009 MINUTES: The board made a few amendments to these minutes, but due not having enough voting members present these minutes will be taken up at the March 26th meeting.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no further business to come before the board, Tom Clow moved to adjourn at 8:45 PM, George Malette seconded the motion, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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